

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA  
ABSTRACT

Public Servants - School Education department – Sri Ch. Devabhiksham, Gazetted Librarian (Retired) & former Secretary, Zilla Grandhalaya Samstha, erstwhile Khammam District - Disciplinary action initiated – Explanation received denying the Charges – Departmental Inquiry conducted – Imposition of punishment of 30 % cut in pension for a period of three years and recovery of an amount of Rs.6,74,324/- from pensionary benefits – Orders – Issued.

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SCHOOL EDUCATION (VIGILANCE) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 126

Dated: 26-10-2018

Read the Following:-

1. From the Director of Public Libraries (DPL), Hyd., Lr. Rc.NO.227-A2/2009, dtd.27.08.2010 & 09.3.2011.
2. G.O.Rt.No.243, Education(PE-Vig.I) Department, dtd.26.3.2011.
3. G.O.Ms.No.58, Edn (PE-Vig.I) Deptt., dated:09.05.2011.
4. G.O.Rt.No.357,Edn (PE-Vig.I) Deptt., dated:09.05.2011.
5. Statement of Defense of Sri Ch. Devabhiksham, Gazetted Librarian (Retired), dated:8.8.2011 to Charges.
6. G.O.Rt.No.381 &382,Edn (PE-Vig.I) Deptt., dated:21.07.2012 appointing COI & PO.
7. From Sri K.Sahadeva Reddy, Commissioner of Inquiries, (COI) D.O.Lr.No.243/COI.KSR/2012, dated:30.07.2013.
8. Govt. Memo. No.2406/PE-Vig.I/2010-10, dated:30.09.2013.
9. Explanation of Sri Ch. Devabhiksham, Gazetted Librarian(Retired) dt.18.12.2013 on COI report.
10. Govt. Memo. No.30777/SE-Vig./2012, dated:09.10.2017 (Show- Cause Notice).
11. From the DPL, Hyd., letter Rc.No.227-A2/2009-(01), dtd.08.12.2017 along with explanation of Sri Ch. Devabhiksham, Gazetted Librarian (Retired) dated.Nil, to the Show-Cause Notice.
12. Govt. Letter No.30777/SE-Vig./2012, dated:10.02.2018 addressed to the Telangana State Public Service Commission.(TSPSC)
13. From the Secretary, TSPSC, Lr.No.273/RT/TSPSC/2018, dtd.19.6.2018 \ addressed to the Spl.C.S., Education Dept., Hyderabad.

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ORDER:

In the reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above, the Director of Public Libraries requested the Government to initiate disciplinary proceedings against Sri Ch. Devabhiksham, Gazetted Librarian (Retired) & former Secretary, Zilla Grandhalaya Samstha(ZGS), erstwhile Khammam District, for committing grave financial irregularities by causing huge loss and waste of Library Funds up to Rs.13,48,648/- by taking up the works of binding of books, pest control and purchase of computers, by violating the Budgetary Rules issued in G.O.Ms.No.1119, Education Department, dated.19.07.1971 and thus did not show integrity and propriety in his conduct.

2. In the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, Government sanctioned Provisional Pension payable from 1.9.2009 @ 75% of the normal pension to Sri Ch. Devabhiksham, Gazetted Librarian(Retired).

3. In the reference 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, Government accorded sanction under Rule 9 of Revised Pension Rules, 1980 to initiate departmental proceedings against Sri Ch. Devabhiksham, Gazetted Librarian (Retired) and framed Article of Charges against Sri Ch. Devabhiksham, Gazetted Librarian (Retired) vide reference 4<sup>th</sup> read above. In the reference 5<sup>th</sup> read above, Sri Ch. Devabhiksham, Gazetted Librarian (Retired) furnished his written statement of defense.

4. After examining the written statement of defense of the Charged Officer, Government vide reference 6<sup>th</sup> read above appointed Sri K.Sahadeva Reddy, Commissioner of Inquiries as Inquiring Authority and Sri S. Srinivasa Rao, Advocate as Presenting officer respectively. The

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Inquiring Authority conducted a regular enquiry and submitted his Inquiry Report, vide reference 7<sup>th</sup> read above and found that all the three (3) Charges against the Charged Officer are held Proved.

5. In the reference 8<sup>th</sup> read above, a copy of the Inquiry Report was communicated to Sri Ch. Devabhiksham, Gazetted Librarian (Retired) and he was directed to submit his explanation. Sri Ch. Devabhiksham, Gazetted Librarian (Retired) submitted his explanation vide reference 9<sup>th</sup> read above.

6. As per the examination of the explanation of Sri Ch. Devabhiksham, Gazetted Librarian (Retired) vide reference 9<sup>th</sup> read above, the Government found that the financial loss of Rs.13,48,648/-(Rupees Thirteen Lakhs, Forty Eight Thousand, Six Hundred and Forty Eight only) was sustained by the ZGS, erstwhile Khammam District, due to taking up the works of Binding of Books, Pest Control and Purchase of Computers by the Charged Officers i.e., Sri Ch. Devabhiksham, Gazetted Librarian (Retired) & former Secretary, ZGS, erstwhile Khammam, Sri KVST Sai, Librarian Grade-II (Retd) & former Accountant (FAC), of ZGS, erstwhile Khammam and Sri D.Babu Rao, Librarian- Gr-III(Retd.) & former Section In-charge of purchases, of ZGS, erstwhile Khammam as follows:

Sl.No	Work/Purchases made for	Loss caused in Rupees
1.	Binding of books	4,70,688
2.	Pest Control	1,25,000
3.	Computers purchases (including installation & delivery charges)	7,52,960
Total		13,48,648

Thus, out of the liability of the financial loss sustained by the ZGS, erstwhile Khammam District, for a total amount of Rs.13,48,648/-, 50% ie Rs.6,74,324/-(Rupees Six Lakhs, Seventy Four Thousand, Three Hundred and Twenty Four only) was fixed in respect of Sri Ch. Devabhiksham, by the Government, based on the charges framed and proved against him as he took the final decision to make these payments, based on the note of Sri D.Babu Rao, Section-In-charge of Purchases, and Sri KVST Sai, Accountant (FAC).

7. The Government also provisionally decided to impose a punishment of 30 % cut in his pension for a period of three years besides recovery of the amount of Rs.6,74,324/- (Rupees Six Lakhs, Seventy Four Thousand, Three Hundred and Twenty Four only) from his pensionary benefits. Accordingly, a Show Cause Notice was issued vide reference 10<sup>th</sup> read above to Sri Ch. Devabhiksham, Gazetted Librarian (Retired) directing him to submit his explanation why the above said punishment shall not be imposed, as per Rule 9 of Telangana Revised Pension Rules, 1980. In the reference 11<sup>th</sup> read above, Sri Ch. Devabhiksham, Gazetted Librarian (Retired) submitted his explanation requesting to reduce his punishment on humanitarian grounds.

8. After examination of the above explanation of Sri Ch. Devabhiksham, Gazetted Librarian (Retired) received vide reference 11<sup>th</sup> read above, the Government decided to impose a penalty 30 % cut in his pension for a period of three years besides recovery of an amount of Rs.6,74,324 /- from his pensionary benefits.

9. And whereas the Telangana State Public Service Commission who has been consulted in the matter vide reference 12<sup>th</sup> read above, have given their concurrence to the above proposal of the Government vide reference 13<sup>th</sup> read above.

10. After careful examination of the entire matter, the Government hereby impose the punishment of 30% cut in pension for a period of three years on Sri Ch. Devabhiksham, Gazetted Librarian (Retired) & former Secretary, ZGS, erstwhile Khammam District and recovery of an amount of Rs.6,74,324/- (Rupees Six Lakhs, Seventy Four Thousand, Three Hundred and Twenty Four only) from his pensionary benefits, towards the loss caused by him to the Government funds, under Rule 9 of Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

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11. The Director of Public Libraries, Telangana, Hyderabad, shall take necessary further action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

RANJEEV R. ACHARYA  
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To  
The individual through the Director of Public Libraries, Telangana, Hyderabad  
The Director of Public Libraries, Telangana, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The Secretary, the Telangana Vigilance Commission.  
The Accountant General, Telangana State, Hyderabad.  
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, TS, Hyd  
The District Audit Officer, State Audit, erstwhile Khammam Dist.  
Sf/Sc.

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